

MITCHELL MEETS THE PRESIDENT

It Is Believed He Will Accept Proposition

Made By Operators, Though Miners Don't Like All of It.

Washington, Oct. 15.—Reports from the coal districts to the effect that the miners are dissatisfied with the arbitration plan proposed by the operators because of their suggestions as to the composition of the commission are believed here to be based upon a misapprehension among the miners themselves as to the situation.

President Mitchell's talk with President Roosevelt today will, it is believed, clear up all these doubts, and result in an acceptance of the operator's proposition.

It is pointed out that the plan of arbitration was not made public Monday night until after a long and most exhaustive review of its terms by the President and Secretary Root. The very point to which the miners are now objecting—the supposed limitation placed upon the President in his choice of members of the arbitration committee—was the chief subject of the President's inquiries and careful scrutiny. The conference between Secretary Root and J. P. Morgan last Saturday was largely devoted to discussion of this point, as was the conference between the President and Mr. Morgan Monday night at the White house, for the President wanted to know the reasons actuating the operators in suggesting that the personnel of the commission be composed of five classes named by them. The President was particularly solicitous as to whether it was their intention to intrude in the

commission a representative of labor. It was not until he was satisfied on every phase of the case that he gave the proposition his approval, believing that the interests of both sides would be protected in an impartial manner by the high class of the men indicated in the offer.

The President, it can be stated, does not himself consider that the limitations have been placed upon him, because there is a very wide field from which he can make his choice, in all classes except in the judicial one.

The classification clause would enable him to put a representative of labor on the commission, and the classification, "a man who, by actual participation in mining and selling coal, is familiar with the physical and commercial features of the business," would permit of the selection of some recognized friend of organized labor. Thus, it would be possible, under the conditions outlined, for the miners to have two members of the commission who are friendly to its interests, whereas there is no guarantee that the operators would have a single member of the commission predisposed to favor their side.

Mr. Mitchell arrived at the temporary White House at 11:55, and was immediately conducted up stairs to the President's room. Commissioner of Labor Carroll D. Wright was there when Mr. Mitchell arrived and remained with him in conversation with the President.

Miners Will Accept The Decision of Mitchell

Shenandoah, Pa., Oct. 15.—In spite of the undercurrent of adverse sentiment sweeping over the anthracite coal fields over the latest proposal of the operators, which is regarded in the nature of an ultimatum since it practically names the tribunal and imposes other objectionable conditions, it is believed that President Roosevelt will find a way to induce Mitchell to accept the proffer. It is generally accepted that the end of the strike is near but the men are yet firm in their determination to stand by

Mitchell no matter what course he pursues.

Hazleton, Pa., Oct. 15.—The miners of this district are greatly dissatisfied with the offer of the operators to arbitrate. Nine mass meetings were held in the Hazleton district last night to consider the proposition. They take exception to clause five, which provides for a man actively engaged in mining and selling coal being on the commission. The conference at Wilkes-barre voted for representation on commission, and unless this is granted, the miners threaten to stay out all winter.

Mitchell Hastens to Confer With Roosevelt

Wilkesbarre, Oct. 15.—President Mitchell left for Washington at 3 o'clock this morning. He was accompanied by Walter Wellman, who is supposed to represent the administration.

Mr. Wellman arrived in this city last night at 10 o'clock and at once had a conference with the district presidents and then announced to the correspondents that he would leave for the national capital on the first train out of the city. His visit to Washington

is believed to mean that he will confer with President Roosevelt, and learn the exact terms of arbitration proposed by the coal operators.

He will inform the President of the miners' position in the matter and what steps he will be obliged to take to secure their approval of the project.

National Secretary-Treasurer W. B. Wilson, of the United Mine Workers is expected in the city today to confer with President Mitchell on his return, on the matter of arbitration.

Where the Supply of Hard Coal Comes From

Three ink blots on the eastern end of the map of Pennsylvania, between the Delaware and Susquehanna river, represent all the anthracite coal in the United States. They cover an area of 488 square miles, and produced last year 53,500,000 tons—truly infinite riches in a little room. They are popularly known as the Wyoming, Lehigh and Schuylkill regions. Their limits are so sharply defined that one can pass in five minutes through one of the notches in the surrounding mountain wall and find himself as much out of the "coal regions" as if

he were a hundred miles away. The coal measures lie on a floor of conglomerate rock, which rises about them on all sides as a basin, and is exposed on the slopes or summits of the mountain surrounding the coal regions. The coal measures which lie in this basin are composed of alternate layers of rock and coal upon each other like a jelly cake in which the thick layers of the cake, represent the rock strata and the thin layers of jelly the coal beds. The thickness of the coal beds varies from 1 foot to 32 feet, and that of the rock from a few feet to 200.

Carried Over.
Tony Schultz, arrested on a charge of assault and battery on Joe Bisch, pleaded not guilty Wednesday morning.

FOOT CUT OFF Under Unusual Conditions—Damages Awarded.

Marion, O., Oct. 15.—Ross Wade, aged 23, was clubbed off an Erie train by a brakeman for stealing a ride and his left foot was cut off by the train. A jury this morning gave him \$3,911 damages. It is the first case in Ohio where a railway was held for the act of a brakeman under such conditions.

NO STOCK Taken by Commissioner Seybold

In a Scheme to Use Street Signs For Advertising.

Herman Schlager, of this city, was before the City Commissioners, Tuesday with an advertising scheme. His proposition was to erect and maintain street signs, if the Board will give him permission to have advertising signs right under the street signs on the same pole. The Board told him that the matter will be considered later. Mr. Seybold said: "I don't take much stock in it. We have too much bill-board advertising now. This custom belongs to villages, and is far beneath a city of Akron's size."

CONCERT Given by Ladies' Society of First Congregational Church.

The Ladies' society of the First Congregational church gave a concert in the church Tuesday evening. It was fairly well attended. Those who were on the program were: Misses Edger-ton, Durr, Isenmann, Martin, Mrs. Wam-maker, Messrs. Earl Weary, Fred Work, Chas. Caskey, W. C. Findley, Prof. N. L. Glover and Prof. W. A. Pitt. The program was an excellent one and was given in a way which reflected credit upon Akron as the home of musicians.

Uncle Russell Sage Wanted A \$3 Rebate On His Commutation Ticket

Entered Protest to Safeguard His Rights.

New York, Oct. 15.—One of the first things Russell Sage did when he left his sick room in his summer home in Cedarhurst to take the train to this city was to enter a protest to safeguard his rights as a commuter of the Long Island railroad. Mr. Sage walked into the Cedarhurst station. As he passed through the waiting room he halted at the ticket window with his escorts.

"I want a rebate on my commutation for October. We are going to town for good, and I have more than thirty rides left," he said to the ticket agent.

"Sorry, Mr. Sage," replied the official, "but we are not allowed to refund money on commutation tickets. You will have to consult the general passenger agent of the road."

Mr. Sage demurred that his half-used ticket book was worth \$3, but there was no time for further discussion because the train which he and Mrs. Sage were to take was speeding into the station.

Patent For Jonathan Haley.

A patent was granted to Jonathan Haley for an improvement in machines for making narrow necked bottles, today. Mr. Haley is an Akron machinist.

Registration Day.

Tomorrow—Thursday, the 16th—is registration day. All new voters and persons who have lately removed into the city, or who have removed from one ward into another, are required to register. The registration will be at the regular voting places in the wards, and the hours are from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from 4 to 9 p.m.

THE WEATHER:
FAIR TONIGHT AND THURSDAY, COOLER.

DID NOT Answer This Man's Question.

"You'll Have to Ask Them," Said Johnson.

A Great Meeting in Trumbull County Capital.

Warren, O., Oct. 15.—Mayor Johnson invaded the very heart of the 19th district—the capital of rock-ribbed Republican Trumbull county last night. The night was bitterly windy and cold but 4000 people flocked into the tent. Rev. Herbert Bigelow joined Mayor Johnson again last night and will speak also at Ravenna tonight and at Akron tomorrow night. Attorney Chas. Fillius, a brother of Mayor E. L. Fillius, of Hudson, the Democratic candidate for Sheriff in Summit county, presided at last night's meeting.

Mayor Johnson answered a good many questions but one he did not answer. It was:

"Why do you always answer all questions fairly while the Republican leaders refuse to answer questions at all?"

"I'll give it up," said the Mayor, "You will have to ask them."

The Mayor announced that if he should be so fortunate as to receive an invitation to be present at any of the Republican meetings of the campaign he would cancel any engagement in order to accept the invitation. "I would run away from you and desert the old tent, dearly as I love the meetings," he declared.

Birthday Party.

Barberton, O., Oct. 15.—Mr. Jay W. Tracy entertained a large party of friends Tuesday evening in honor of his birthday. The party was held in the Tracy block and about 60 couples attended. Dangling was the order of the evening. A number of out-of-town guests were present.

AKRON BANKERS Attending Ohio Bankers' Association Convention.

The annual convention of the Ohio Bankers' association is in session Wednesday and Thursday at Cincinnati. A number of Akron members are present, including J. S. Benner, Central Savings bank; N. C. Stone, City National; L. D. Brown, Second National; and A. H. Valentine, First National.

MISSING From Akron For Three Whole Months.

Friends of Prof. Charles Felitz Are Anxious.

Prof. Charles Felitz, an elderly German whose linguistic attainments had made him widely known, disappeared from this city July 14, and not a word has been heard from him by friends since that time. He was staying on Sumner st. at the residence of J. Biddle for some time, and on the last day he was seen, he said that he was going to Cleveland to make arrangements for accompanying a party of Cleveland people who were going to Europe, as an interpreter.

Prof. Felitz did not intend going away on the trip without returning to Akron first, and after waiting anxiously for him to return, the matter has finally been reported to the police. Prof. Felitz was proficient in seven languages, and a man of wide general information. He lived alone and it is not known that he has any relatives in the United States.

"Raise" For Janitor.

The janitor at the High school will receive from now on until the close of the night school term, \$2 nightly to repay him for his trouble in remaining at the building, keeping fire, lights, etc.

ALL'S READY For the Big Meeting Tomorrow Night.

Friends May Call on Mayor Johnson Tomorrow Afternoon.

Mayor Tom L. Johnson will arrive in this city Thursday at noon, from Ravenna. He will be escorted to the Buchtel hotel, and a general invitation has been issued to Democrats and others who wish to meet the Mayor to call at the Buchtel in the afternoon, between 3 and 5 o'clock.

The big tent meeting on the Buchtel base ball grounds will begin at 7:30 p.m. At 8:45 there will be music in front of the Buchtel hotel by the K. O. T. M. band, after which the Mayor and his party will be escorted to the

tent by officers of the Democratic County Executive committee and others. There will be several carriages.

Preceding the call to order at the tent, there will be music by the K. O. T. M. band, and selections will also be played between speeches.

Attorney J. V. Welsh will be chairman of the meeting. Vice presidents will be few. Their names have not yet been announced. It is expected that a crowd of not less than 5,000 people will assemble at the tent, as there is a great deal of enthusiasm over the meeting.

ACHILLES SULKING IN HIS TENT

G. O. P. Campaign Receiving No Help From the Man of the Hour.

The Man of the Hour has a dark, brown taste in his mouth. And he is standing pat on it, too. Such is the firmness of this stand that his face has not been seen at Republican headquarters during the present campaign. He moves about as one who regards the signs of the times with suspicion. It is believed, however, that if the weather is not too bad, and a carriage is sent for him, he will come out on election day to vote, but there are some who even doubt this. The Man of the Hour is mad. Not a great deal of fuss has been made over him lately, hence the feverish condition under his collar.

In the first place, very little attention was paid to him on the occasion of the opening of the State campaign here. He had to walk, and in the last division, too. In fact, the peerless Man of the Hour was the tail-end of the procession. Such a business! Likewise, gee whizz! and the very idea! There is no similar instance in history, except, perhaps, in cases where great men were traveling incognito. But the Republican party will pay dearly for this. It will be deprived of the silver oratory and the personal splendor of the Man of the Hour throughout the whole campaign. Achilles will sulk in his tent. And, furthermore, there is talk of his having his clean streets copyrighted, so that no good can be derived from them for the benefit of the G. O. P. candidates. When the G. O. P. sat down upon the Man of the Hour it owt not of the spirit of him upon whom it squatted. It will find out later on and continuously, even unto the third and fourth generation.

At the campaign opening no one

came forward to introduce him to the big guns of the party. No one said, "We take 19 times more than ordinary pleasure in introducing the Chief Executive of our city, the peerless, scrumptious, all-wool-a-yard-wide Man of the Hour." This was an oversight that will be resented at the polls, and don't you forget it. Nor was there a carriage and prancing four waiting for him at the head of the procession. Nay, nay, Pauline, there was not. Instead, he was picketed for the last division and ordered to hustle. So numerous were the slights heaped upon him, that at one time Senator Foraker is alleged to have taken him for the Mogadore Republican.

But this is not all. The Man of the Hour has, or had, a yearning for continuance in office. He instructed one of his faithful lieutenants to feel around a little among the rank and file, and discover the sentiment. The lieutenant did as he was told, but the sentiment was not the kind he had expected. "I wouldn't be surprised if Mayor Doyle would not run again," remarked the henchman to a certain prominent Republican. "So?" was the only response. "I'm afraid he couldn't be elected," continued the man on the mission of discovery. "Indeed," was the stolid reply. Practically the same expressions were made by all whom the discoverer approached.

It was anticipated, or hoped, that all would rise in one grand acclaim and declare that the Man of the Hour was entirely too popular to feel that way, and that he must—positively must—run again. No such grand acclaim was forthcoming. Wherefore an attitude of coldness on the part of the Man of the Hour. Achilles sulks in his tent.

No. 5 Engine House Suggested For City Hall

City Commissioner Seybold has sprung a new proposition for a City Hall. The suggestion is made for consideration, in case the project to buy the South Akron site fails through. He believes that the purchase of the site at the corner of Buchtel ave. and Main st. will be a good investment for the city, even if it does not build a hall there.

His plan is to make some changes in No. 5 engine house, on Buchtel ave., and use it for a City Hall. "It is a large and magnificent building," he

said, "and as it will be a long time until the city will have money enough to equip it for a fire station, we might as well be getting some good out of it. I am in earnest about this proposition. It will mean a saving of considerable money to the city. By the expenditure of \$25,000, an addition could be built to the front of the building, an dit would be made a handsome structure. This building is centrally located, and can be reached easily, as it is right on a street car line."

Authorized to Sell Plant Of Aultman - Miller Company

A meeting of stockholders of the Aultman-Miller Co. was held Tuesday, at the office of the company, the object of which, as explained by Hon. Geo. W. Crouse, president of the company, was to have the stockholders authorize the directors to negotiate a sale of the plant, and this they did by practically a unanimous vote.

Further than this Mr. Crouse would not discuss the work of the meeting, but he did not deny that there is a possibility of the plant being sold soon.

It is said that the company has an opportunity to sell out to the harvester combine, but whether the combine is to be the purchaser in this case is not known.



RUSSELL SAGE